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9	UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
10	DISTRICT OF NEVADA
11	In re) Case No. 21-13813-nmc
12	HOUDINI'S MAGIC SHOP, Chapter 7
13	Date: N/A Time: N/A
14	Debtor(s).
15	EX PARTE MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE FOR AN
16	ORDER REOPENING CASE PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 350(b)
17	Tracy Hope Davis, the United States Trustee for Region 17 ("United States Trustee"), by
18	and through her undersigned counsel, hereby moves the Court for an order reopening this case
19 20	pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 350(b) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 5010. This motion is made and based upon
21	the following Memorandum of Points and Authorities and the pleadings and papers filed in this
22	case.
23	MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES
24	1. Debtor(s) filed a voluntary petition under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code on
25	July 30, 2021. ECF No. 1.
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27	2. On October 4, 2022, this case was closed, and Troy S. Fox was discharged of all
28	duties as the trustee in the case. ECF No. 43.

- 3. The United States Trustee wishes to reopen this Chapter 7 case because after the case was closed, the United States Trustee received notification that Debtor is entitled to receive tax refunds arising from employee retention tax credits that can be administered for the benefit of the bankruptcy estate.
- 4. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 350, a bankruptcy case may be reopened in the court in which the case was closed to administer assets, to accord relief to the debtor, or for other cause. 11 U.S.C. § 350(b). The case may be reopened on motion of the debtor or other party in interest. FRBP 5010. The court may order the appointment of a trustee in a reopened Chapter 7 case if the court determines that a trustee is necessary to protect the interests of creditors and the debtor or to insure efficient administration of the case. *Id.* The Code section and associated rule make no provision for a hearing or other procedures. *Id.* A bankruptcy court may rule on a motion to reopen a bankruptcy case without a hearing. *Redmond v. Fifth Third Bank*, 624 F.3d 793 (7th Cir. 2010).
- 5. As there appear to be assets that may be liquidated and distributed to creditors, to protect the interests of creditors and Debtor(s), and to ensure the efficient administration of the estate, a Chapter 7 trustee should be appointed pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 5010. The Appointment is contingent upon the Court entering an order reopening this case and directing the United States Trustee to appoint a Chapter 7 trustee.

WHEREFORE, the United States Trustee requests that the Court enters an order

reopening this case pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 350(b) and ordering the United States Trustee to appoint a Chapter 7 trustee. Dated: August 3, 2023 Respectfully submitted, TRACY HOPE DAVIS UNITED STATES TRUSTEE By: /s/ Terri H. Didion Terri H. Didion Assistant United States Trustee